

HOUSE BILL 3493

By Dennis

AN ACT to create a special joint committee for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive study of the administrative process in this state.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. There is created a special joint committee to conduct a comprehensive study of the administrative process in this state including, but not limited to, the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act.

SECTION 2. The special joint committee shall consist of three (3) members of the house of representatives and three (3) members of the senate, to be appointed by the respective speakers. The speakers shall also each appoint one (1) current or former administrative law judge to the joint committee.

SECTION 3. In conducting its study, the special joint committee shall solicit input from the appropriate state agencies, with the goal of determining ways to streamline the administrative process.

SECTION 4. When making its final report, the special joint committee shall outline inefficiencies in the administrative process and make recommendations for a more efficient and effective administrative process.

SECTION 5. All appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

SECTION 6. All legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the general assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the general assembly.

SECTION 7. The special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the general assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

SECTION 8. The special committee joint shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the one hundred eighth general assembly no later than December 1, 2012, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.